

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Carver, et al.

Art Unit: 3663

Application Number: 10/795,879

Examiner: Dudnikov, Vadim

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Docket No.: 61404-1100

Title: **Container and Method for Storing or Transporting Spent Nuclear Fuel**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 10, 2008

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed on December 10, 2008, the following Response is submitted.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.